

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claim 1 as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) An LNG carrier for transporting LNG from one location to another, comprising:

(a) a vaporizer on board an LNG carrier for vaporizing the LNG to a gaseous state;

(b) at least one heat exchanger at least partially submerged in water;

(c) an intermediate fluid circulating between said vaporizer and said heat exchanger; and

(d) at ~~least~~ least one pump for circulating said intermediate fluid.

2. (Original) The carrier of claim 1, wherein the submerged heat exchanger is attached to an exterior surface of the LNG carrier.

3. (Original) The carrier of claim 1, wherein the heat exchanger is integral with the LNG carrier hull.

Claims 4-7. (Withdrawn).